

**They That Sow In Tears Shall Reap In Joy (Psalms 126:5-6)**

**Proposition:** Every one of us as children of God, receivers of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ have an urgent responsibility to be involved with a faithful, consistent, and organized attempt to win people to Jesus.

**I. The Serving Realized (Vs. 6a)**

“He that goeth forth...”

**II. The Sorrow Released (Vs. 6a)**

“...and weepeth...”

**III. The Seed Rendered (Vs. 6b)**

“...bearing precious seed...”

**IV. The Certain Return (Vs. 6c)**

“... shall doubtless come again...”

**V. The Celebration Released (Vs. 6c)**

“... with rejoicing...”

**VI. The Sheaves Retained (Vs. 6d)**

“...bringing his sheaves with him.”

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(Ps. 126: 5-6) In 1857, Hudson Taylor went to China as a missionary. One of his converts was a man named Nji. Nji brillated about his new found faith, share it with all his friends. He asked Taylor, "How long have you had this good news in England?" Taylor revealed the gospel had been in England for centuries. Nji then asked the obvious, "Why didn't you come sooner? My Father died seeking the truth." Delivering the gospel is urgent business. It is time to obey and no longer delay. Vs 5-6 gives us in a nut shell all that the Bible has to say about personal soulwinning and bringing people to Christ.

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I. The Serving Realized - Vs 6. He that "giveth forth" - We see here a familiar decline of Bible truth. Jesus used some truth in Mark 4:3. This is the order, command, mandat from heaven in Matt 28:19. It bears Deam Mc Neese while back that inherent in the gospel is a "go" it is a "go" spel. We have no right to undertake any other task, how ever good and needful if we do not take up the first & foremost command to go and reach people for Jesus. There are many examples in Bible. Jesus first

foremost; Luke 14:10 Jesus sent his disciples out two by two, Philip reached out and摸摸 Ethan's church. Paul in Acts 20:30 said he went from house to house. <sup>people to christ.</sup> Lifestyle; Everywhere we go we win

II. The Son of Man Released - Vs 6 and 11, 12 & Vs 5 tears. Where are our tears?

They are scarce. We will never effectively reach the heart of the lost sinner w/out a deep heartfelt concern for them. Tears are a language God understands yet many of us have lost the ability to speak that language when it comes to the lost. Moses and Jeremiah shed tears over God's wayward people. Jesus shed tears over the lost sheep of house of Israel. Paul shed tears night and day in Acts 20:17

Dr Larry Brown told story of meeting a man. Telling gospel, broke the Preacher's ~~son~~ heart. Tears fell. Men wouldn't listen to Preachers. But the boy tears struck man's heart. May God give our cold cynical hearts hot tears of burden for the lost.

III. The Seed Rendered - There are many pictures in the Bible that describe the Bible itself: a sword, a song, a slab but here it is a seed. Jesus said in Luke 8:11 "the seed is the word of God" "I wished when a child I could plant buttercup and buttercup trees. No to gain a harvest we must plant seed."

Psychology can not replace the word of God. Entertainment can't replace the word. Only the

- 1) **Mark 4:3 Harken; Behold, there went out a sower to sow:**
- 2) **Matthew 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:**
- 3) **Luke 19:10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.**

1) Romans 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. 2 Timothy 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. Psalms 19:7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul...James 1:21 ...receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

2) ...the acoustics of the building, he proclaimed: "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." (John 1:29) A workman in one of the balconies heard the verse. The rest of the day that verse rang in his heart. At home that night, as he was eating dinner, the verse continued to ring in his heart. He went to bed, and all he could hear was, "Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world." He arose the next morning, and the verse continued to echo in his heart. That man was gloriously converted by the quoting of one verse of the Bible. The power of fruitfulness is in the seed not the sower.

3) If you really want to get in on the action and experience the thrill, excitement and joy of the Christian life, become involved in going fourth and bearing the precious seed.

word of God is a fruitful seed. King Tut's  
Tomb 3000 yr old seed, plants produced life. Seed  
precious b/c life inside. The Bible is precious because  
there's life inside it. Rev 10:17 <sup>1</sup> Tim 3:15 Ps 19:7  
Jas. 1:21. Charles Spurgeon walked into his  
Tabernacle one day when workmen were re-  
modeling the auditorium. To test the acoustics

IV. The Certain Return - Doubtless  
I remember hearing Dr. Duer Powell  
define this word in his native Welch accent  
"There's No doubt about it!" Victory &  
success is promised. I've heard Dad <sup>comes</sup> com-  
ment on the garden's we've planted, "It's just  
not much of a garden this year. No where near  
as much as last year." But nevertheless we  
go out at harvest & taken nothing. You  
can win someone to Jesus. If all you won was  
one person, would it be worth it? Noah Preached  
120 yrs. and had only eight. Was he a failure?  
Old Preacher said "Never call a man a failure  
who gets his family in the ark." This verse indi-  
cates a continual action. I'll labore in field many  
a time and come home empty, but <sup>3</sup>Now and again there's more

V. The Celebration Releashed 6c -  
come again with rejoicing! 155 "reap in Joy"  
What a thrill it is to win someone to Jesus  
I'll never forget leading Casey in Tifton  
to the Lord. The first person I ever lead to  
the Lord I invite after my mate! Yes I know

It's not every time you go you see some one saved. But don't ever let me get over the thrill of leading others <sup>to Jesus</sup> and seeing others saved. The joy of being absolutely obedient to the command of scripture.

We would have celebration time every Thursday after we went visiting. One by one, person after person would relay their exploits. What chores and praise we would give to him who ever that trusts the Lord. <sup>(P)</sup> Have you lost the thrill

VI. The Sheaves Retained - God "Bring me his sheaves with him" When the harvest come, they would cut the grain, tie the grain in Bundles and laid them along the path to be carried off for threshing. We are doing that today. Bundling up harvested souls, securing them in cords of the Grain of God, laying them on the path to glory! Waiting for the great Harvester to take them on to glory! What a harvest celebration it will be. There will be a Sunday school teacher named Edward Kimball will say "Lord Jesus, see that big bundle over there. That's P. M. L. M. ready. You helped me win him when he was a teenager."

Mordecai Ham will say, "King Jesus see that big

VII. Closing - We have a duty before anything else to go as our saviour did, seeking to save that which was lost! Will you join me in repentance.

- 1) ...lost the thrill? B.B. King used to sing the old blues song "the thrill is gone." Does that describe your Christian life? Regain the thrill and celebration by winning souls!
  
- 2) ...that big bundle over there? That's Billy Graham. You helped me win him in a 1934 revival meeting in Charlotte NC. Ken Trivette will say, Lord do you see that little bundle over there. That's Ronnie and Carey Brown. You helped me win them back in 1994. Lord, look at that little bundle over there. That's Matt Hover you helped me lead him to you at the Hamilton County Jail. What a harvest we can have. Do you have sheaves with you? Are you empty handed? I read this poem the other day: Must I go and empty handed? Must I meet the Saviour so? Not one soul with which to greet Him. Must I empty handed go?